GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5252
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Development Aid
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government of India extends/provide "Development Aid" to some of the neighbouring countries annually;

(b) if so, the details of the development aid extended to neighbouring countries during the years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17;

(c) whether due to cut in development aid to some of the neighbouring countries particularly Nepal, the relations with them have strained; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to create good relations with Nepal?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) Yes, Government of India provide "Development Aid" to neighbouring countries.

(b) The amount of aid India provided to neighbouring countries annually in 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 is enclosed at Annexure.

(c) There is no cut in development aid. However the actual disbursement varies from year to year as per progress/actual need basis of various projects in the relevant year.

(d) Not applicable.